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EXPIRATION DATE:
November 30, 2000

(FOR RENEWAL, SEE 49 CFR SECTION 107.105.)

1. **GRANTEE:** Alaska Railroad Corporation
Anchorage, Alaska
2. **PURPOSE AND LIMITATION:** This exemption authorizes the transportation, in commerce, of class/division 2.1, 2.2, 3, combustible liquids, 6.1 PG II and III, 8 and/or 9 materials in mixed trains. This exemption provides no relief from any regulations other than as specifically stated.
3. **REGULATORY SYSTEM AFFECTED:** 49 CFR Parts 106, 107 and 171-180.
4. **REGULATIONS FROM WHICH EXEMPTED:** 49 CFR 174.82(b)
5. **BASIS.** This exemption is based on Alaska Railroad Corporation's application of November 11, 1998 and additional information dated December 4 and 23, 1998, submitted in accordance with 49 CFR 107.109.
6. **HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (49 CFR 172.101):**

Hazardous materials in class/division 2.1, 2.2, 3, combustible liquid, 6.1 PG II or III, 8 and/or 9. The proper shipping description authorized under the terms of this exemption shall be as specified in 49 CFR Subpart B of Part 172, an exemption issued under 49 CFR Subpart B of Part 107, or as authorized in accordance with 49 CFR 171.12 or 49 CFR 171.12a.
7. **PACKAGING(S) and SAFETY CONTROL MEASURES:**
 - a. Each railcar containing hazardous materials shall be separated from each occupied passenger railcar by a minimum of six railcars that do not contain hazardous materials.
 - b. Railcars containing hazardous materials shall be placed in the train behind all occupied passenger railcars.

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c. Each transport vehicle, freight container, or rail car containing any quantity of hazardous material must be placarded on each side and each end with the type of placards specified for hazard class in § 172.504(e), Table 2. This section applies regardless of the amount of hazardous materials contained within the transport vehicle, freight container or rail car,

8. SPECIAL PROVISIONS.

a. The shipping paper notations specified in 172.203(a) are waived.

9. MODES OF TRANSPORTATION AUTHORIZED. Rail freight.

10. MODAL REQUIREMENTS:

a. The Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) is to be notified if any unusual incident occurs, such as derailment, during the movement by contacting the:

Federal Railroad Administration
Office of Safety Assurance and Compliance
RRS-12, Mail Stop 25
1120 VERMONT, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20590
(202) 493-6247 or 493-6229

11. COMPLIANCE. Failure by a person to comply with any of the following may result in suspension or revocation of this exemption and penalties prescribed by Federal hazardous materials transportation law, 49 U.S.C. Section 5101 et seq:

- All terms and conditions prescribed in this exemption and the Hazardous Materials Regulations, 49 CFR Parts 171-180.
- Registration required by 49 CFR 107.601 et seq., when applicable.

Each "Hazmat employee", as defined in 49 CFR 171.8 who performs a function subject to this exemption must receive training on the requirements and conditions of this exemption in addition to this training required by 49 CFR 172.700 through 172.704.

No person may use or apply this exemption, including display of its number, when the exemption has expired or is otherwise no longer in effect.

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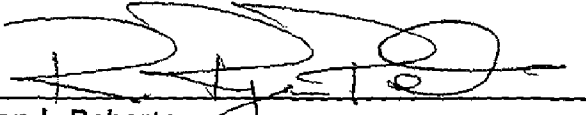
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12. REPORTING REQUIREMENTS.

a. The carrier is required to report any incident involving loss of packaging contents or packaging failure to the Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety (AAHMS) as soon as practicable. (49 CFR 171.15 and 171.16 apply to any activity undertaken under the authority of this exemption.) In addition, the holder of this exemption must inform the AAHMS, in writing, of any incident involving the package and shipment made under the terms of this exemption.

Issued at Washington, D.C.:


For Alan I. Roberts
Associate Administrator
for Hazardous Materials Safety

12/23/98
(DATE)

Address all inquiries to: Associate Administrator for Hazardous Materials Safety, Research and Special Programs Administration, Department of Transportation, Washington, D.C. 20590., Attention: DHM-31.

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